

Preliminary Amendment dated December 8, 2005
Application claiming priority from PCT/CH2004/000337
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REMARKS

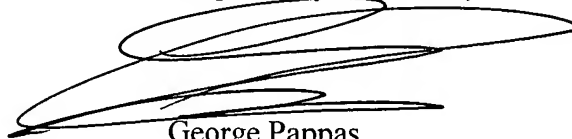
Claims 1-22 are pending in the current application. Claims 1-12 and 14-22 have been amended hereby.

The amendments to claims 1-12 and 14-22 are clerical in nature and do not address the substantive scope of the claims. More specifically, the amendments made to the claims hereby delete reference numerals from the claims, make formalistic amendments, and remove the multiple dependency of previously multiple dependent claims.

The specification has been amended hereby to assert a claim of priority and to eliminate informalities.

In the event Applicant has overlooked the need for any extension of time or payment of fee, Applicant hereby petitions therefor and authorizes that any charges be made to Deposit Account No. 16-0248, Pappas Law Offices. Should the Examiner have any further questions regarding any of the foregoing, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned at (260) 426-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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